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Coos Bay Comments

The January rally of the Coos Bay district was held on the 20th at North Bend with 34 men present. Rev. Burgoyne, of the Methodist Church in Marshfield, led in a study on personal evangelism, which was much appreciated by all, according to word received by Harold Stone.

The District Evangelistic Committee, led by Dan Drown, of Coquille, has outlined a series of pre-Easter meetings to be held in the five churches of the district and participated in by all pastors.

The February rally will be held on the 17th at Myrtle Point as a Father and Son banquet. Vernon Kullowatz of N. C. C., and others with boy's camp experience will have charge of the program.

Northwest District Rally

Vernon Kullowatz, Alger Fitch, and Dallas Meserve, of N. C. C., brought the main address to the January rally at Mallory Avenue church where more than 230 men and boys gathered for the annual Father and Son banquet. District vice chairman Lloyd Read, presided and the new Boy's program was presented by Loy Draper and Conley Silsby.

Kern Park men are sponsoring the evening service once each month and crowded the preacher off the platform in December. The annual Father and Son banquet was held on Friday, the 30th, with a fine attendance and a program arranged by Al Yost. Lloyd Arnett is teacher of the men's class.

New officers of Central Church, Portland, Ninety and Nine Men's Fellowship include the following: L. S. Rice, President; R. E. Karls, Vice President; Glen Meek, Secretary; Joe Williams, Treasurer; Albert Paget, Devotions; Art Bailey, Gospel teams; Conley Silsby, Teacher. With this line-up we can expect some fine things to come.

Victor Mitchell has been elected president of the Mallory Avenue Ninety and Nine Fellowship and reports a 100% attendance on a recent Sunday. Other officers are John Inman, Vice President; Maurice Adamson, Secretary; and Ray Anson, Treasurer. Floyd Culberson is teacher. State President, Dr. C. R. Beatty was the speaker at the January meeting.

Gospel Teams to Hold Meeting

Northwest district gospel teams, led by Cleve Hudson, Art Bailey, Lloyd Read, and Wilbur Abbott, are planning a three



**NINETY
AND NINE
NEWS**

Ray C. Smith, Secretary

weeks series of meetings at St. Helens where Walter Barnes is pastor. The plan to be tried out in this effort is to send one team for three alternate nights, and the open nights are to be used by the St. Helens folks for calling and personal work.

The third Thursday of each month is Ninety and Nine night at the Union Gospel Mission when Ninety and Niners of this district furnish the lunch and conduct the service. Those who have had part report a rich experience. Others should try it.

Boy's Program Launched

Seventy-one boys attending the Northwest District rally became charter members of the "Ninety and Nine Boys," a new program being tried out in the Northwest district under supervision of the state Boys Committee. The work is built around the four ideals of Service, Athletics, Fellowship, and Evangelism, under Christian influence. Buttons were distributed to every boy who took the pledge. Dave Kullowatz, of Multnomah, Dan Switzer of Central, and Harley Davenport of Kern Park, were chosen as officers to work with adult adviser Loy Draper in promoting the work. Printed programs, buttons, and other information may be obtained from State Boy's Work chairman, Lloyd Arnett, 6729 S. E. Mall Street, Portland.

Dollars and Sense

State Treasurer Ed DeWees makes the following statement of quotas suggested to districts and the amounts received by him for credit to the district. Some have not yet accepted the quotas, but should so advise the treasurer at the earliest possible date.

	Quota	Paid
Northwest District.....	\$600.00	\$ 55.00
Willamette District..	600.00	107.00
Yamhill District.....	125.00	16.52
Mid-Columbia District	100.00	15.00
Coos Bay District.....	100.00	3.50
McKenzie District.....	200.00	6.00
Douglas District.....	100.00	31.00
So. Oregon District....	100.00	
East Oregon District	175.00	18.50
Central District.....	50.00	

If the above amounts do not agree with district records your secretary should advise at once. The treasury needs whatever funds might be sent in even though the amount is small.

Our evangelist, Willie White, reports 8 baptisms in the meeting at Creswell up to the third week, and 25 men attended a men's banquet with the expectation of forming a Ninety and Nine group. No other word has come since.

The Tan-Ditters, Jewish evangelists in Portland, are filling the pulpit at Multnomah during the absence of Elery Parrish who is holding a meeting in California. These good folks have just completed a series of meetings at Woodburn and will carry on their mission work. They ask for our prayers and are thankful for our support.

Lloyd Read, K. I. Dixon, and Ray Smith attended a mid-Columbia church rally at The Dalles, each bringing a brief message regarding the men's work in the church. Much interest was manifested in Brother Dixon's tract display.

A Yamhill district rally was held at Yamhill church with President K. E. Burke, of N. C. C., bringing a fiery message. A fine interest in the work is manifested, and a check for \$16.50 was sent to the treasury. Among those attending the meeting were Dave Byerlee, returned missionary from the Congo, State President Dr. C. R. Beatty, Martin Kullowatz, Conley Silsby, Ed DeWees, and Elmer Teeters.

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SPRINGFIELD observed brotherhood dinner with the state secretary as guest speaker. They are starting the United Christian Education Advance. Claude O'Brien, pastor.

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AN EXPLANATION

An explanation is due our readers for the change in grade of paper in the January issue of THE OREGON CHRISTIAN, and again this month. At the last moment before printing the January number our printer informed us that an increase in price of paper would increase our monthly cost by \$9.00. We were already on the very limit of our income so it was decided to drop to a lower grade of paper. We are asking our readers to appreciate the desire of the committee to keep down the expense of publishing.

STATE OFFERINGS

To January 29th

CHURCHES: Court Street (Salem), \$34.96; Estacada, \$5.00; Falls City, \$3.00; Forest Grove, \$8.33; Gladstone, \$9.95; Grants Pass, \$21.63; Harrisburg, \$5.00; Hermiston, \$9.25; Hood River, \$17.35; Kern Park, \$7.58; Klamath Falls, \$2.50; Mallory Avenue, \$54.70; Medford, \$25.00; Newberg, \$21.00; Nyssa, \$2.00; Odell, \$8.00; Ontario, \$2.50; Roseburg, \$6.47; Salem First, \$20.80; Santa Clara, \$10.00; Silverton, \$17.08; Vernonia, \$6.50; Yamhill, \$2.50; Portland First, \$100.00.

SCHOOLS: Cottage Grove, \$10.00; Court Street, \$5.00; Kern Park, \$22.60; Milton, \$3.82; Odell, \$7.50; Ontario, \$1.00; Pendleton, \$8.25; Warrenton, \$4.04.

INDIVIDUALS: Courtney Swander, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Goode, \$2.00; Mrs. A. M. Peterson, \$5.00; The Tan-Ditters, \$3.00; Mrs. Effie Braly, \$30.00; A. D. Sellars, \$5.00.

YOUNG PEOPLE: Kern Park, \$2.25.

PERMANENT FUND: Interest, \$84.36; Principal, \$133.64; Mrs. Anna Todd Estate, \$500.00.

1941 YEAR BOOK

This office has received a small number of 1941 year books for sale. Any church that made an offering of \$5.00 or more to Unified Promotion during 1940-41 is entitled to purchase one for 50c; others, for \$1.00. We will supply your orders as long as they last. Better send now and enclose price.

OREGON MISSIONARY TIDINGS

Mrs. E. F. Leake, Secretary
MISSIONARY ORGANIZATIONS

To World Call Secretaries

Hello Folks! Well, here we are. We have enrolled in the college up to the year and are quite a step on the road to our Turner Convention. This means that we have four months yet to get on World Call Honor Roll. You all heard last month that Oregon had 1,085 World Calls. Watch your rolls carefully lest failure to renew subscriptions brings that number down. Be on the lookout for new subscribers. Have you noticed that January World Call is "bigger" as well as "better?" Because Emergency Million was with us in January we did not stress World Call week January 25. Perhaps some of you observed it anyway. If you did not, put on a World Call program in your church some night soon. Let your people know what an important paper our brotherhood magazine is.

Some things to remember because of increased cost of paper and materials:

1. World Call can be had for \$1.00 only when five or more subscriptions are sent in at one time.
2. There will be no book offer as in years past.
3. You may have a free subscription to World Call with orders of ten. That free copy may be a gift to someone who otherwise might not have it, or to your town library.

The latest news of our missionaries comes to us through World Call. Thrilling reports of Emergency Million for Life and Work, and news from our Christian colleges are in it. Why am I telling you this? You know it. You tell 'em. Keep 'em readin'! —Gertrude Mossberg, World Call Secretary.

While we are talking about World Call we had to look twice to believe our eyes when we read the report of the Kern Park Women's Association. A membership for the quarter of 80, and 92 World Calls for the church. Mrs. L. H. Fishburn is the World Call Secretary and we're going by that way to see how she does it.

Study Classes

The missionary women are ever on the alert to have mission study classes. A number were reported for the second quarter. Text books include "Christian Roots of Democracy," "Author of Liberty," "The Christian Imperative," "World Call," "Jungles Preferred," and "China." The church groups having such classes were as follows: St. Johns, Kern Park, Halfway, St. Helens, Central Christian, Mallory Avenue, Klamath Falls, Hood River, Gladstone, Jefferson, Portland First, Albany and Sellwood.

Daily Devotions

While it is not always possible to make a full tabulation in the matter of personal devotions we are deeply concerned that the habit of daily personal prayer and meditation shall be as nearly universal among our women as possible. Splendid reports have been received of achievement in this direction. Among these Kern Park Women's Association reports 100%, Vernonia 92%, Crabtree 80%, Ashland 75%, Tillamook 70%, North Bend 66%, Bend 60%, Springfield 60%, McMinnville 57%, St. Helens 83%, St. Johns 50%. An interesting item from the Springfield report was the fact that 65 copies of the "Upper Room" were taken by church members.

Items from Reports

We list here the societies that have held showers and sent boxes to White Swan and have reported them on the second quarters reports: Pendleton, Halfway, Tillamook, La Grande, Mallory Avenue, Dallas, Hood River, North Bend, Grants Pass and Corvallis.

St. Johns made cushions for the air base. Silverton had a travelogue dinner. Medford had 95 present at a homecoming luncheon. Letters and cards were mailed to the missionaries in India. Mallory Avenue made cookies for the boys at the Air Base. Springfield had a special offering for the support of their mission station in Africa and a native worker in Jamaica. Corvallis entertained all societies of the District with a potluck luncheon with Mrs. David Byerlee as guest speaker. Mrs. Hill, of Beaverton Home, and Mrs. Victor Morris, were also guest speakers. Jefferson gathered clothing for distribution at the Gospel Mission in Eugene.

The most unusual item came from the Beaverton society. The members are saving cancelled stamps and are sending them to a collector in Africa. The sale of them supports a missionary.

Children's Work

During recent years we children's workers have heard much concerning the importance of security in the life of the child. In the last few weeks we have come to see that many of those things which, in our superficial view, we felt to be important in the matter of security were neither important nor sure.

What, then, are the sure and stable factors in giving security to children? What security can they find in this unsure and unstable world?

These factors are found in the realm which the world speaks of as intangibles and which we Christians speak of as the realm of Spirit. We must lead our children to find such security. If we fail in this we would better hang a millstone around our necks and be cast into the sea. If we fail here we have no excuse for existence as teachers.

As we lead children we must assist them to find sure and firm faith in the goodness, righteousness, wisdom and love of God. Many boys and girls have evidenced such faith. In recent weeks when many of us adults were torn with doubts and fears concerning the war and its attendant dangers and horrors many a child has looked up into an adult face and said with a smile, "Why are you worried? Why are you afraid? We love God and try to do what He wants us to do. No matter what happens to us we are all right." Did not the Master say, "Except ye become as a little child?"

We must so guide children in their thinking that they may clearly see cause and effect as work in the lives of men and nations. We must lead them to appreciate the good, the fine and beautiful in the contributions which all nations have made to the sum total of human experience. As we succeed in this, their capacity to understand and sympathize rather than to condemn, to love rather than to hate, will grow and flower within their lives.

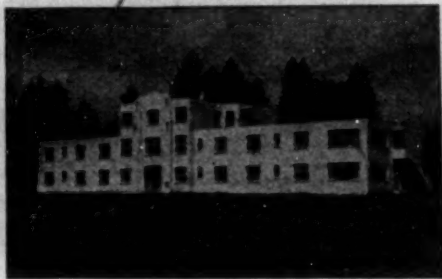
But this is not sufficient to provide a sure security. To understand and sympathize to the point of sacrificing, giving up things they may want to share with others, is love in action. The children under the leadership of Mrs. Haggard at Hood River Valley have experienced such security. They had a Christmas party at which they dispensed with gifts for each other and brought gifts for the Indian children at White Swan. A southern Oregon lad of twelve experienced such security when he, having planned what things he could give up each month, pledged \$25.00 to Emergency Million. Such children as these are adjusted in a Christian way toward their Heavenly Father and their fellowmen.

The reports have been pouring in from many of the children's missionary groups through the state. They are thought provoking and challenging. We want to share some of them with you. In the matter of reading the Falls City group, under the guidance of Mrs. Allen, is in the lead with 64 books to their credit this quarter. Miss Rosemary Graham, of St. Johns, reports 35 books read by her group which puts them in second place this quarter. The Corvallis group, with Miss Ida Hilbers as their leader, is in the lead with 30 Junior World subscriptions.—Mrs. H. W. Torgerson, State Children's Superintendent.

MID-COLUMBIA CONVENTION

The mid-Columbia convention was held at The Dalles on January 19, in spite of ice and cold weather. About 80 were present, and the program was good although some of it was "pinch-hitting." The next meeting will be held at Wasco. The churches involved will please note.

NORTHWESTERN CHRISTIAN HOME



Mrs. Laura K. Hill, Supt.

Peace in Storm

Northwestern Christian Home passed serenely through the recent icy period. The stoker worked a little faster on the coal bin and no one was the worse for weather.

A New Machine

A new washing machine of larger capacity has taken the place of the old one that broke down. Some friends have contributed toward the cost. To these we say, "Thank you!" There is need for a few more contributions to complete the job.

Don't Wait for the Elevator

The long delays in the work on our elevator serve as a reminder to the Home family of the dangers and difficulties which confront our country in these times. We are grateful for the security and peace of the home on its western hillside.

EMERGENCY MILLION

At last report Oregon churches had pledged \$13,400 to Emergency Million. Oregon's quota was \$13,800. There are still two churches to visit, and doubtless there will be more coming from churches already canvassed. There is every reason to hope that Oregon will go over the top.

PUBLICITY

Hugh N. McCallum, publicity man, reports that during the past year the newspapers of Portland gave our cause more than 300 inches of news space, besides 15 individual pictures and 3 large group pictures. Added to this there was much publicity in papers over the state of which he has no record. We extend thanks to the papers and to Hugh.

BEQUEST RECEIVED

The State Board has received a check for \$500 in payment of a bequest by Mrs. Anna B. Todd, deceased. Mrs. Todd was a firm believer in State Missions and this is not her only gift in past years. This gift is being placed in the Permanent Fund and will continue to help churches throughout the years. Others should do likewise.

Good Health

In spite of the normal ills that accompany many in old age the family of Northwestern Christian Home passed the last six months of 1941 without the loss of one. This is an unusually good record for such an aged group.

Let Benevolence Also Increase

Our churches are quite generally experiencing good gains in local finances and in contributions to other causes. Many Christmas offerings indicate that benevolence is sharing in the gains. It needs this gain. With rising prices it costs more money to do the same work and we ought to do more work.

Oregon Gains

Seventy-seven Oregon churches made some cash contribution to the work of Northwestern Christian Home during the year ending June 30, 1941. The latest count lists seventy-three that have thus far made some contribution this year. We hope to pass the old record by June this year.

Of all reported giving last year about eleven and one-half per cent of all giving besides local expense went to our benevolent work. That is the report for the whole brotherhood. In Oregon a little less than seven per cent went to benevolence. In most respects Oregon is better than average and it is gaining in its support of benevolence.

Reports indicate an encouraging, nation-wide gain in Christmas offerings for benevolence. Walter L. Myers.

A REMARKABLE RECORD

On January 18, the State Director visited Kern Park church and was privileged to assist in the award of 67 pins for perfect attendance at Sunday School during 1941. A number of these were for four, five, and six years. It is a record to be proud of, and the pins were not brass or tin, but real gold. We wonder if there is another school in the state that can equal it. W. L. Kurtz is the proud superintendent.

A NEW WORK

Philippi had a Lydia who helped the gospel. And Milwaukie has a Mary who helps it just as much. Mary Harding teaches in the Portland schools and lives in Milwaukie. Several months ago she opened her home to a Sunday School, and 25 or 30 children and a few adults meet in her home for study of the Word, after which Mary preaches a sermon and leads in the communion service. Her ambitions are for an organized church in this community. The State Board will give assistance in an evangelistic meeting later on if that seems practical. An organization there some years ago failed. We can try and try again.

THE PERMANENT FUND

One of the most important factors of our state missionary work is The Permanent Fund. Not much has hitherto been said about it; but we propose now to make it more widely known.

In Origin and Intent

The Permanent Fund started in 1918 with a gift of a \$50 Liberty Bond by the then baby church in the state at Bend. The State Board decided to make it the nucleus of a permanent fund, the principal of which could not be given out as is done with the general offerings, but only the interest thereof be spent. The Board had dreams of a fund some day that would produce enough to support an evangelist.

Conversion to a Loan Fund

The state secretary was visiting the church at Newport in 1929. That was a struggling little band of disciples, recently gathered together by J. B. Hoag, a retired minister, and meeting in the Baptist church property. The Baptists decided to quit the field and sell the property. They gave the occupants a first option at a price about one-half the real value. That group was sad that day for they had no money, and moving out meant they had nowhere "to lay their head." The secretary's mind reverted to that Permanent Fund, then doing nothing but accumulating interest against that day when it would have grown big enough to use the interest to support an evangelist. Why not put it to a practical task right away? He asked the church to keep heart until he could investigate. He wrote to every member of the board and asked permission to loan the Newport church the money to buy that property. The reply was favorable, and the amount required was \$939.50. It has been used in that way ever since.

Terms of Loan

The Permanent Fund is loaned to churches at 5% interest, with repayment terms to fit the situation and ability of the church to meet. The policy of the Fund is that it must be a help, not a hindrance, to the church borrowing. Hence, repayment terms must be such as will not hamper the church. To the present time not a dollar has been lost on either principal or interest of money loaned to churches.

Administration of Fund

The Fund is a legal entity of the Oregon Christian Missionary Convention and is supervised by the State Board. It is being incorporated according to the laws of the State of Oregon, and will be administered by a Board of Trustees, elected by the State Board, and which will make all loans after investigating the merit of applications.

(To be continued next month)

NORTHWEST CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

K. E. Burke, President

Attendance

Northwest Christian College has reached a high point in attendance. 243 have enrolled in the college up to the present date. This is an increase of 12% over last year's total enrollment. There are 124 men and 119 women.

Service

Nearly fifty men are preaching regularly each Lord's Day. Several new preaching points have been opened during the year. The students bear the expense of sending service teams to these new points. Many other students serve by singing, leading song, playing the piano or organ, teaching Sunday School classes, helping with C. E. groups, calling on the sick and shut-in folk, carrying communion to those shut in, and working in the down-town mission. Sixty-five men have taken a public stand for Christ at the mission during the past year. N. C. C. students run the mission.

A New Church

A new church is coming into being at Irving this month. William Diehm, a junior student, started the work about a year ago with Bible School and preaching services. A building has been purchased. Prof. Walter Fiscus is now holding a meeting there. A goodly number have indicated a desire to become members of the new church.

Property Payment

Many thanks to the loyal friends, both individuals and churches, for the generous financial support given which has made it possible for the college to make the annual payment on the property. We paid \$5,000 principal and \$2,750 interest. The debt is now down to \$50,000. Many are saying, "We must pay off this debt within the next two years and save the interest." If we could do this we would

HILLSBORO has called Clifford Trout from Waitsburg, Washington. Congratulations to both!

LEBANON, 4 baptisms, 2 by statement since last report. Church has pledged \$1.00 per member to N. C. C. debt. Laurence Bixler, pastor.

KERN PARK reports 25 baptisms, 52 otherwise, in 1941; building fund increased to \$3,240.16. C. H. Addleman, pastor.

SISTERS enjoyed a meeting with State Evangelist Evans during January. 5 baptisms and 5 others added and still continuing. D. L. Penhollow, pastor.

PORTLAND CENTRAL reports 50 baptisms, 83 others, during 1941; improvements on building, and debt reduced 14%. J. Claude Neely, pastor.

save over \$12,000. This is enough to pay the salary of a teacher for nearly nine years; or it would run the college for a year; or it would put us a long way toward a much needed new dormitory on the campus.

Examples

Here are some things happening now in financing the college:

1. Several friends have sent in money varying in amounts from \$15.00 to \$250.00 to help underwrite professors' salaries. This, we hope, will grow to the place where salaries will be guaranteed year after year. Who else would like to help in this way?

2. The alumni members are sending in \$10.00 each in increasing numbers. This association voted to do this last spring at commencement time. This is helping on the property obligation in a very material way for all this applies on the property obligation. Do you want to help?

3. The "1,000" club is growing in popularity. The idea of the club is to enroll at least 1,000 members who will give \$5.00 or more on the property obligation. Each week sees several new members enrolled. 10,000 members would completely clear the property debt. Why not join and find others to join?

4. Churches are facing the responsibility of the property obligation and general support of the college with keen interest. Some have assessed themselves 25c per member, others 50c per member, and still others aim to secure \$1.00 per member for support of the college. The church at Crabtree, with 65 members, has turned into the college \$93.65. The Children's Church, of Salem First Church, has set for itself the task of raising \$1.00 per member.

5. Churches are responding in an enthusiastic way to the work of our new field representative, Kenneth Johnson. Both churches and individuals are facing with real concern the welfare of the college in its financial life and enrollment.

COTTAGE GROVE reports 22 baptisms, 28 otherwise, in 1941; 3 added first two Sundays in 1942. They have adopted the Lord's Treasury plan. Gordon L. Hypes, pastor.

ONTARIO has called Carroll Pennington as pastor. Congratulations!

IONE rejoices in numerous repairs to their church building at a cost of \$400 or more. J. Fred Stilwell, pastor.

ST. HELENS, 4 baptisms since last report; observed brotherhood dinner. Walter A. Barnes, pastor.

ROSEBURG has received the resignation of John Barnet and has called Len Fishback from Baker, who will make the change in May. Both churches will regret the loss of these men.